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TO: National School Lunch and Breakfast Program Sponsors

FROM: Maureen B. Staggenborg, Director - Child Nutrition Programs

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SUBJECT: Operational Memorandum #09-06

I. Serving Children During the Summer

II. Reminder Regarding Food Safety and Sanitation Inspections

I. Our office is conducting a Seamless Summer Food Program training targeted for school districts that participate in the National School Lunch Program and are interested in implementing the Seamless Summer Food Program. This meeting is scheduled for May 3, 2006, and will take place at the CT State Department of Education building in Middletown. If you are a school district that has participated in the Seamless Summer Food Program or you are interested in finding out more about providing meals to children when school is out of session during the summer months, please consider attending this meeting.

If you are interested in attending, please complete the attached registration form and fax it to Lorraine Sternal no later than **April 24, 2006**. The fax number is 860-807-2127.

II. This is a reminder that schools participating in the National School Lunch Program and the School Breakfast Program must have, at a minimum, **two** food safety inspections per year. Schools are also required to post the most recent inspection report in a public, visible location (i.e., dining or serving area) and are also required to release a copy of the report to members of the public *upon request*. Therefore, if you have not had a second health inspection to date, you should contact your local health department to remind them of this requirement. *Please be sure to document your correspondence with the local health department regarding this request.*

Please note that in August/September 2006, our office will be collecting data pertaining to your local health inspections. We are currently developing the form and more information will be forthcoming.

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